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In re Patent Application of:
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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
AUTOMATED FINANCIAL PROJECT
MANAGEMENT

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 25, 2003, a Notice of Appeal and Petition for Extension of Time being filed herewith, please consider the following remarks:

CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2215.